

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the third full paragraph on page 7, with the following:

~~FIG. 2 is a flow chart~~ FIGs. 2A and 2B are flow charts for describing an online shopping method utilizing the network according to one embodiment of the present invention;

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 13, with the following:

Referring to ~~FIG. 2~~ FIGs. 2A and 2B, in this embodiment, the purchaser first accesses a merchandise sales website opened by the dealer on the network (or the Internet) 100 (in a step A1 of FIG. 2A).

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 14 and 15 with the following:

As shown in FIG. 5, the purchaser checks the article information (which is the information registered in the step A4) displayed on the screen and designates personal identification information such as the address, the name and the like of the purchaser and a settlement method (in a step A11). When the purchaser clicks on a “send button” shown in FIG. 5 with the mouse, the purchase/order information including the article information, the personal identification information and the settlement method is transmitted from the purchaser terminal 10 to the dealer server 20 through the network (or the Internet) 100 (in a step A12 of FIG 2B).